AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The following listing of claims supersedes all prior versions and listings of claims in this application:

1. (Currently Amended) A foot water-spouting device comprising:

a foot-front water spouting section configured to spout water toward a top front [[side]] area of a user's foot;

a water-spouting section direction moving mechanism configured to move the direction of water spouting of the foot-front water spouting section along a longitudinal direction of the top-front area of the user's foot; and

a control section for controlling the water-spouting section direction moving mechanism;

wherein said foot-front water spouting section has a plurality of water-spouting nozzles arranged side-by-side in the foot width direction for each of the right and left foot and said foot-front water-spouting section is configured to continuously spout water with a spouting ~~width~~ first dimension causing only a part of the foot in a longitudinal direction to receive spouted water [[and]] while the combined spouting width of the side-by-side nozzles extends across ~~traverses~~ the width of the foot in a second dimension that is greater than said first dimension;

~~said control section sets the spouting width to be shorter than an entire length of the foot in the longitudinal direction so as to cause portions receiving the spouted water and portions receiving no spouted water from said foot-front water-spouting section~~ said water-spouting section direction moving mechanism being configured so as to concurrently move the plurality of side-by-side water-spouting nozzles in the longitudinal foot direction, whereby the spouted water across the width of the foot is moved along a longitudinal direction of the foot; and

said control section [[is]] being configured to control the water-spouting section direction moving mechanism such that water spouted from the plurality of the water-spouting nozzles is sequentially passed over a longitudinal dimension of the foot ranging from a toe side to an ankle side, thereby only intermittently spouting water onto different top-foot areas ~~so as to move the portions receiving the spouted water, in turn, along the longitudinal direction of the foot from a toe side to an ankle side by moving said spouted water spouted with the spouting width toward said portions having received no spouted water at the foot-front~~.

2. (Currently Amended) A foot water-spouting device comprising:

a container body for accommodating the foot of a user;

a foot-front water spouting section configured to spout water toward only a portion of a top foot-front [[side]] area of a user's foot, said area being relatively narrow in a longitudinal direction as compared to a transverse foot-width direction; and

a water-spouting section direction moving mechanism configured to move the direction of water spouting of the top foot-front water-spouting section along [[a]] said longitudinal direction of the foot.

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Previously Presented) The foot water-spouting device as in claim 1, wherein a path of movement of a water arrival point receiving the spouting water by the water-spouting section direction moving mechanism includes a toe.

5. (Previously Presented) The foot water-spouting device as in claim 1, wherein the control section controls changes in pressure of spouting water received by the water arrival point according to position of the water arrival point.

6. (Previously Presented) The foot water-spouting device as in claim 4, wherein the control section controls pressure of spouting water received by the water arrival point to be highest when the water arrival point is at the toe.

7. (Previously Presented) The foot water-spouting device as in claim 1, wherein the control section comprises a flow rate control section which is configured to change a water spouting flow amount according to a position of the moving water arrival point.

8. (Previously Presented) The foot water-spouting device as in claim 7, wherein the control section controls the flow rate control section to cause the largest flow rate of spouted water when the water arrival point is located at the toe.

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Previously Presented) The foot water-spouting device as in claim 1, wherein the water-spouting section direction moving mechanism comprises a rotary shaft that pivotally supports either rotation or rotational movement of the foot-front water spouting section as the water arrival point is moved along a longitudinal direction of the foot.

11. (Previously Presented) The foot water-spouting device as in claim 10, wherein the rotary shaft is pivotally supported immediately above a position of root of the fifth toe or closer to the toe tip side from that in the container body in use.

12. (Cancelled)

13. (Currently Amended) The foot water-spouting device as in claim 1, wherein the control section controls the water-spouting section direction moving mechanism to reciprocate a water arrival point along a longitudinal direction of the foot.

14. (Previously Presented) The foot water-spouting device as in claim 1, wherein the foot water-spouting device further comprises a sole water spouting section configured to spout water toward a sole of a user's foot.

15. (Previously Presented) The foot water-spouting device as in claim 14, wherein the control section controls at least one of a water spouting amount and a water spouting pressure of the sole water spouting section by effecting cyclical changes.

16. (Previously Presented) The foot water-spouting device as in claim 15, wherein the control section controls the water-spouting section direction moving mechanism to cause a direction of water spouted from the foot-front water spouting section to be cyclically oscillated.

17. (Previously Presented) The foot water-spouting device as in claim 14, wherein the control section controls the sole water spouting section to cause the direction of water spouted from the sole water spouting direction to be cyclically oscillated.

18. (New) A foot water-spouting device comprising:

a top-foot water-spouting section configured to spout water onto a top-front portion of a user's foot over a band area that extends across substantially the entire foot width in a left-right dimension, but only along a limited transverse longitudinal foot dimension; and

a movement mechanism connected to move said water-spouting section along said longitudinal foot dimension, thereby causing said band area to move in the longitudinal direction while spouting water on a longitudinally moving widthwise band of the user's top-front foot.

19. (New) A foot water-spouting method comprising:

spouting water onto a top-front portion of a user's foot over a band area that extends across substantially the entire foot width in a left-right dimension, but only along a limited transverse longitudinal foot dimension; and

moving said water-spouting section along said longitudinal foot dimension, thereby causing said band area to move in the longitudinal direction while spouting water on a longitudinally moving widthwise band of the user's top-front foot.